

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Daniel F. Williams, et al.  
Application No. : 09/820,292  
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Title : Apparatus, Systems and Methods For Online, Multi-Parcel, Multi-Carrier, Multi-Service Parcel Returns Shipping Management  
Grp./Div. : 3629  
Examiner : Jamisue A. Plucinski  
Docket No. : PSTM0042/MRK

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Commissioner:

Enclosed with the electronic filing of this letter are the following:

1. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Transmittal (3 pages);
2. PTO Form SB/08a; and
3. "pdf" copies of eighteen (18) cited References.

It is respectfully submitted that the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement enclosed with the electronic filing of this Transmittal Letter is filed during one of the periods described in 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c); the appropriate fee under 37 CFR § 1.97(c)(2) and as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(p) is included with the electronic filing of this Transmittal Letter and the concurrently filed Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (or, if due to size-limitations, or other electronic-filing limitations, multiple submissions are required, with the last filing of the day of this Transmittal Letter and the concurrently filed Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement) as a charge to the below-identified Deposit Account.

Even so, the Commissioner is hereby authorized, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3), to treat any concurrent or future reply or correspondence for the above-identified application, requiring a petition for an extension, or a further extension, of time for its timely submission, as incorporating a constructive petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, including any required extension fees or any

underpayment of fees, which may be required during the **pendency** of this application, to Deposit Account No. 501574. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account.

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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

## 37 CFR § 1.97(c)

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Section 1: Preliminary Statements:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, and in accordance with the provisions in the manual of patent examining procedure §§ 609 and 707.05(B), enclosed is Form PTO-1449 listing references that are known to applicant. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2), only copies of references *other than* U.S. patents and U.S. published applications are enclosed herewith. This filing is made during one of the periods described in 37 CFR § 1.97(c); the fee set forth in §1.17(p) is included herewith.

It is respectfully submitted that some of the references (for example, Foreign Patent Document Nos. 1-2) listed on the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement were cited in Office Actions issued by foreign patent offices for co-pending foreign patent applications that correspond to the present U.S. application.

It is respectfully submitted that some of the references (for example, Non-Patent Literature Document Nos. 11-16) listed on the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement are Office Actions issued by foreign patent offices for co-pending foreign patent applications that correspond to the present U.S. application.

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It is respectfully submitted that some of the references (for example, U.S. Patent Reference Nos. 1-4) listed on the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement are U.S. Patents that issued from U.S. patent applications that have been or will be commonly assigned to the assignees to which the above-referenced U.S. patent application has been or will be assigned.

It is respectfully submitted that some of the references (for example, Non-Patent Literature Document Nos. 7-10) listed on the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement are Office Actions or Notices of Allowance issued for co-pending U.S. patent applications, or for U.S. patent applications that have now issued as patents, that have been or will be commonly assigned to the assignees to which the above-referenced U.S. patent application has been or will be assigned.

While this Information Disclosure Statement, and the references and documents cited in the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement may be "material" pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56, submission of this Information Disclosure Statement and citation of the references and documents listed in the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement are not intended to constitute an admission that any patent, publication or other information referred to herein is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists.

It is respectfully requested that the listed references and documents be considered in the examination of this application and identified on the list of references cited on the patent issuing for this application. Applicant also requests that an initialed copy of the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed with the electronic filing of this Information Disclosure Statement be entered in the application file and returned to Applicant with the next communication from the office in accordance with MPEP §609.

Section 2. FORM SB/08a

A list of patents and publications is set forth on the IDS form (SB/08a) enclosed

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